

## Senate Resolution 466

By: Senators McKoon of the 29th, Cowser of the 46th, Jones of the 25th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May, 2017, as Brain Tumor Awareness Month, and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, brain tumors both primary, originating in brain tissue, and secondary,  
3 originating in other parts of the body that metastasize to the brain, are diagnosed in more than  
4 220,000 Americans of all ages, races, socioeconomic status, and gender each year and the  
5 rate continues to rise annually; and

6 WHEREAS, malignant brain tumors are among the deadliest forms of cancer with just a 34  
7 percent five-year relative survival rate and are the leading cause of cancer related deaths in  
8 children and adolescents, from birth to 19 years of age; and

9 WHEREAS, over 3,600 people in Georgia will be diagnosed with a brain tumor and 388 will  
10 die from a brain tumor in 2017; and

11 WHEREAS, Georgia is home to major facilities, such as Emory Winship Cancer Institute  
12 and others, that focus on research to find better treatments, a cure for brain tumors, and a  
13 higher quality of life for brain tumor patients; and

14 WHEREAS, increased public awareness of brain tumors through advocacy and support for  
15 targeted research, as well as education about the impact brain tumors have on patients' and  
16 their families' lives, are critical to support and action for a cure.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
18 recognize May, 2017, as Brain Tumor Awareness Month.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
20 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
21 press.